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Title

Methods and Genetic Compositions to Limit Outcrossing and Undesired Gene Flow in Crop Plants

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### **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

By way of a Preliminary Amendment, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### In the Specification:

At page 1, after the title, please add the following new paragraph:

## -- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/CA99/01208, having an international filing date of December 22, 1999, and which claims priority from United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/113,545, filed on December 22, 1998, which are both incorporated herein by reference--

### In the Claims:

Please replace claims 1-97 of record with new claims 98-119 attached hereto.

### REMARKS

Claims 1-97 of record are cancelled. New claims 98-119 are added.

The claims of the international application contained multiple-dependent claims, which were dependent on other multiple-dependent claims. The new claims are amended to define the invention with greater clarity and to conform the claim dependencies with United States practice. Applicants respectfully submit that the new

